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BRITAIN MOBILIZES NEW ARMY; DEFENSE AGAINST INVASION

Cordon of Powerful Defenses
Thrown Up; Attempt Will
Be Costly To Germany

REPLACE EQUIPMENT

Aerial Blitz On England
Brought Home Full Force
of What to Expect

(Note: The first full and detailed description of England's military preparations against invasion by Nazi Germany is given today in the following article by Robert G. Nixon, International News Service correspondent who has just returned from London. These hitherto unrevealed details are based upon Nixon's first-hand inspection and examination of the wall of men and steel thrown up by an embattled Britain against Adolf Hitler's legions.)

By Robert G. Nixon
I. N. S. Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—(INS)—Britain, with lightning rapidity, has mobilized, trained and re-equipped a new army to defend the English islands against Hitler's coming invasion.

Starting from absolute scratch, Britain has thrown up a cordon of powerful, mobile defenses that will make Germany's attempt costly in the extreme if not an abject failure.

In the six months since Dunkirk and the French collapse the work that has been accomplished is little short of a miracle.

England lost an army's equipment in the Flanders debacle, but it saved an army. The equipment doesn't matter. The men do.

If the Germans had launched a full-scale attack immediately after the French collapse Britain would have been virtually defenseless. The loss of the British Expeditionary Force's equipment at that time might have proved a disastrous factor. Today that equipment has been replaced.

How valuable the saving of 330,000 of its 365,000 men will prove in history already has been shown in the smashing victory of the British forces over the Italians in Africa. At the core of the British army in the western desert are the veterans of Dunkirk.

The English are slow starters. But once the full impact of the disaster of the French collapse sank home Britain has not rested day or night.

The aerial blitz on England is the first major mistake Germany has made in this war. For it brought home to every Englishman, every wife and mother, every child that they are up against an unrelenting enemy.

Germany faces a people now who are determined to fight to the last man and the last bullet for their existence.

And Germany has no beautiful straight highroads and flat plains on which to move its Panzer Divisions against England with the smashing concentration of force it was able to bring to bear on the continent.

The narrow strip of water that separates the cliffs of Dover from German-occupied France is a formidable barrier that, with proper defenses in England, will make Germany's attempt at invasion a heart-breaking and bloody task.

I would be the last to minimize the deadly peril in which England finds itself today. But, after months of study of England's new army and defenses I am far from pessimistic about the outcome of an invasion.

In the invasion of the low countries and France Germany could and did bring the full force of her military might to bear. Against England she can bring only a portion. What reaches England must come by water or air. The invasion fleet, both water and air, must face the full force of England's navy, the airforce and strong land defenses.

I doubt if Germany will be able to land forces of sufficient strength in England to cope with the length of the British defenses on its home territory.

Germany might ultimately be able to starve England out, but a victory by direct assault is filled with those imponderables about which Bismarck used to muse.

The collapse of France snapped England out of its complacency.

An army of 2,000,000 men has been equipped, trained in new tactics and awaits the invasion. A great deal of their equipment includes American artillery, rifles, tommy guns. We sent them 800,000 rifles, nearly 1,500 '75's as well as planes and destroyers. But this was only a stopgap until Britain's own arsenals would recover from the Dunkirk losses. Today they have greatly recovered.

Behind the Army stands the home guard, 1,000,000 civilians, the core of them former World War soldiers, who have in six months been knit into a highly trained guerrilla force. They are tough. They know they are fighting for their country, their wives, their children. And to an Englishman, England means more than life.

Their job is one of eternal watchfulness. They work all day. They stand guard over England all night in relays. Their work is voluntary. They are

Students Shown Process Of Manufacturing Rugs

Section one of grade seven, Jefferson avenue public school, was accompanied on a trip to one of Bristol's industrial plants on Monday, when Miss Coles made a visit with the girls and boys to the Thomas L. Leedom Company mill.

The students were shown the process of rug making, from the time the raw wool is received, until the product is finished.

Wayne Fry demonstrated the use of the new "radiant" carpet, now being manufactured at the Leedom plant.

AGED LAWYER DIES AT SPRING VALLEY HOME

E. Wesley Keeler Was Charter
Member of Bucks
County Bar

WAS HIGHLY RESPECTED

SPRING VALLEY, Jan. 22.—For many years one of the leading members of the Bucks County Bar Association, Elias Wesley Keeler, died Saturday afternoon at his home here. Two weeks ago he suffered a stroke. He would have celebrated his 88th birthday anniversary next month. He practiced law in Bucks County for 55 years and during that time resided in Doylestown.

Twice during his long career as a lawyer Mr. Keeler was honored by his fellow members of the Bar, and friends. One occasion was when he celebrated his 55th anniversary as a member of the Bar in March, 1926. At that time he was showered with congratulations by his fellow members of the bar and a host of friends.

A great tribute was paid Mr. Keeler in March, 1931, when he celebrated his 55th anniversary as a member of the bar. On that occasion he was the guest of honor at a largely attended testimonial dinner at the Fountain House in Doylestown. At that time Mr. Keeler was the only surviving member of the original 41 members of the Bucks County Bar Association organized in 1874. The veteran lawyer was characterized on that occasion as being patient with the weaknesses of his fellow members, and a man who always gave credit for their ability.

It was not long after the testimonial dinner that Mr. Keeler retired from active practice. Later he took up residence at his home here. One of his favorite hobbies before and during his retirement was the growing of flowers.

The late Mr. Keeler was regarded by fellow members of the Bar as an excellent interpreter of the law, especially in Orphans' Court and other civil cases. His wit and keen sense of humor were also outstanding characteristics.

Mr. Keeler was a son of the late Eli K. and Annie Fell (nee Reeder) Keeler. A native of Buckingham township, he gained his early education in the Valley Park school, Plumstead township, and at the Doylestown English and Classical Seminary. After teaching several years, Mr. Keeler enrolled as a student at the West Chester State Normal School, and then returned to teaching for five years.

Deciding to take up the legal profession, Mr. Keeler read law in the offices of George and Henry Lear, Doylestown, and was admitted to the Bar on March 13, 1876. A short time

Two Soldiers Hurt In Crash of Army Trucks

MORRISVILLE, Jan. 22.—Two colored soldiers yesterday were seriously injured when one Army truck in a convoy crashed into the rear of another truck on the lower Delaware River bridge. Both victims are in St. Francis Hospital, Trenton.

Ramond Butler, 20, of Winchester, Va., is suffering from fractured ribs, abrasions and possible fractures of the skull and hip.

David Burke, 23, also of Winchester, Va., is suffering from shock and internal injuries.

Butler and Burke, both members of Company A, 48th Quartermasters Division, were in charge of one of the many Army trucks which left Baltimore for New Jersey. Both were riding on the front seat and it has not been determined which one was operating the truck at the time.

They were nearing the New Jersey shore when their truck crashed into the rear of another and hurled them against the front of the cab.

Thomas St. John, a bridge officer, hurried from this end of the bridge and had the two victims taken to the hospital by passing motorists. Bridge police said they believed one of the drivers had become sleepy.

TROOP MEETING

A meeting of Troop No. 7, Junior Catholic Daughters of America, was held at the home of Miss Mary Jane Finney, on Friday evening. The guests on this occasion were Miss Pauline Sarazak and Miss Mary Johnson. Prizes for games were awarded to the Misses Grace Holden and Helen Bove.

MEETING THIS EVENING

In Bristol Methodist Church parlor, tonight at eight, the Woman's Society Christian Service will hold a meeting.

Classified Ads deliver the goods.

LATEST NEWS . . .

Received from International
News Service Over Special
Teletype News Wire.

Subsidy to Sellersville Hospital

Harrisburg, Jan. 22.—Auditor General Roberts today authorized the payment of subsidies to State-aided hospitals amounting to \$70,937.50, and approved the payment of \$12,808.18 to ten school districts to pay current costs of vocational education in connection with the National Defense program. Payments include: Bucks County—Grand View Hospital, Sellersville, \$1,812.50.

Name Additional Physicians

Harrisburg, Jan. 22.—Additional examining physicians to serve on the selective service system today were ready to assume their duties following their appointment by President Roosevelt. Appointees included—Bucks County: Local Board 1, Dr. Frank Lehman, Bristol, and Dr. Albert Gonzalez, Croydon. Local Board 3, Dr. Redding H. Rufe, Chalfont. Local Board 4, Dr. J. T. Shaffer, Sellersville, and Dr. Walter Hendricks, Perkasie.

Willkie Off For England

New York, Jan. 22.—Carrying a borrowed trench helmet and a letter from President Roosevelt to Prime Minister Churchill, Wendell Willkie departed for England today aboard the Yankee Clipper at 8.30 a. m. Mrs. Willkie was on hand to bid her husband farewell.

Thomas Denounces Lend-Lease Measure

Washington, Jan. 22.—Socialist leader Norman Thomas, testifying before the House Foreign Affairs Committee today, denounced the lend-lease measure as "a bill to authorize undeclared war in the name of peace, and dictatorship in the name of defending democracy."

Thomas declared that the measure is so broad that if it were passed, President Roosevelt could deliver the American fleet to England, ignore the Johnson Act and neutrality law and scrap all labor laws.

Justice McReynolds To Retire

Washington, Jan. 22.—Associate Justice J. C. McReynolds today advised President Roosevelt that he intends to retire from the U. S. Supreme Court on February 1st.

The Justice, who has served since 1914, is over 70, and retires under the act passed during the last Congress.

Strike is Averted

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 22.—A threatened strike at the Ryan Aeronautical Plant in San Diego was averted early today, according to an announcement by Harry C. Malcolm, Federal Labor Department conciliator.

Four Miners Killed in Explosion

Welch, W. Va., Jan. 22.—Four miners were killed today and 14 others were burned, three seriously, in a local gas explosion two miles from the main shaft of the Koppers Coal Company mine at nearby Carswell.

WITNESS INAUGURATION

Mr. and Mrs. Yardley Heaton, Beaver street; "Billy" Hendrickson, Garden street; and Mrs. McQuade, Trenton, N. J., spent Monday in Washington, D. C., at the inauguration.

LOCAL WEATHER OBSERVATIONS

FOR 24 HOUR PERIOD ENDING 6 A. M.
AT ROHM & HAAS WEATHER OBSERVATORY
BRISTOL, PA.

Temperature Readings
Maximum 35 F
Minimum 17 F
Range 18 F

Hourly Temperatures
8 a. m. yesterday 17 (low)
9 21
10 24
11 27
12 noon 29
1 p. m. 32
2 35
3 35
4 35
5 34
6 31
7 30
8 29
9 28
10 29
11 28
12 midnight 28
1 a. m. today 28
2 27
3 27
4 26
5 25
6 25
7 26
8 27

P. C. Relative Humidity 90
Precipitation (inches) 0

A. M. Barometric Pressure ins.
8.00 30.40

TIDES AT BRISTOL

High water 10.10 a. m., 10.36 p. m.
Low water 4.42 a. m., 5.17 p. m.

Here and There in Bucks County Towns

In spite of fog and icy roads a number of persons attended the meeting of the Doylestown Consumers' Co-operative Association at the home of General William A. McCain, in Doylestown.

Mrs. Walter M. Teller, of the educational committee gave the highlight of the evening's program, a striking picture of the founding of the first co-operative, "The Story of Toad Lane," at Rochdale, England, in the "hungry 40's." The gloomy, grimy cotton mill district of Lancashire, where the weavers, men, women and children, toiled for wages as short as the hours were long.

Two Guernsey cows owned by Walter Craig, of Perkasie, have just finished new official records for production. These animals include a four-year-old producing 137247 pounds of milk and

6145 pounds of butter fat in class C, and a three year old producing 10399.4 pounds of milk and 520.6 pounds of butter fat in class E.

A new record, exceeding the average of the Guernsey breed for her age and class has just been completed by a two-year-old New Hope cow, owned by Philip W. Smith. Her official record is 10716.2 pounds of milk and 479.6 pounds of butter fat in class GGG.

Two Guernsey cows owned by J. Howard Cliffe, of Ivyland, have just finished new official records for production. These animals include a five year old producing 8653.3 pounds of milk and 477.2 pounds of butter fat in class AAA and a nine and one-half year old producing 9353.7 pounds of milk and 474.2 pounds of butter fat in class AAA.

"Teaching Democracy in the Schools" was the subject upon which Joseph Shane, a member of the George School faculty, addressed the Newtown League of Women Voters at a meeting in Newtown.

Mr. Shane said that in no time in the history of the world have the people been faced with so many problems. The schools, he added, have been looking upon to help the young people understand these problems, but they need the assistance of the church, the home, and the community.

Democracy, explained Mr. Shane, means the right to live freely. It is the basis of American life. It is not the result of national life, but of individual life.

Horace J. Luff has started his duties as principal of the Buckingham township schools as successor to the supervising principal, R. Chapman Carver, who has resigned following his appointment as advanced editorial and research adviser in the department of Public Instruction of the Commonwealth.

Mr. Luff, who for the past few years has been principal of the junior high school at Buckingham, was appointed Mr. Carver's successor at a meeting of the school board a few days ago.

The retiring supervising principal this week will begin his new duties after having been head of the Buckingham Township schools for eight years. Mr. Carver, who has been active in the educational affairs of the Bucks county schools, was graduated from Hatherso high school, and in 1931 was graduated from Washington & Jefferson College, Washington, Pa.

Mr. Carver, a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity and the Doylestown Rotary Club, while in charge of the schools took graduate work in education at the University of Pennsylvania. He was also a member of the Schoolmen's Week committee, a past president of the Bucks County Principals' Association, business manager of the "Bucks County School Review," and a vice-president of the Bucks County Interscholastic Association.

Mr. Murfit today announced the complete membership of the volunteer workers organization in the Bucks County division. This includes: Mrs. Horace W. Watson, William F. Morlok, Jr., Mrs. Ada B. Reeder, Mrs. Elvin Bothwell, Miss Edna Ringel, Mrs. Helen Molloy, Miss Adele Swayze, Mrs. Ruth Hennessey, Miss Anna Johnson, and Mrs. Olive Suber, Newtown; Miss Laura C. Haines, Mrs. Chester Miller, J. Carroll Molloy, Jr., Webster S. Achey, Arthur M. Eastburn, Mrs. Irvin M. James, and Miss Betty Ann Johnson, Doylestown; Mrs. William Wieser, Jacob C. Schmidt, Mrs. Frank Lehman, and Mrs. Dorothy E. Fechtenburg, Bristol; Miss Ruth Buckman, Buckingham; Mrs. Norman J. Mortimer, Buckmanville; Mrs. Ellsworth Clymer, Chalfont; Miss Mary Gilbert, Miss Dorothy Traub, Mrs. Mary Whitney, Mrs. Raymond Gilbert, and Mrs. Henry E. Strathmann, Churchville.

Mrs. John P. Arnold, Furlong; Miss Marion Peck, Hulmeville; Miss Helen

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65th Natal Anniversary Marked by Mr. Scancelli

A surprise party was tendered Vincenzo Scancelli, Lincoln avenue, on Sunday evening in honor of his 65th birthday anniversary. The affair was arranged by his sons and daughters. The evening was enjoyed in a social way, followed by refreshments.

Those present: Mr. and Mrs. Luigi Costantini, Mr. and Mrs. Enidio Costantini, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Scancelli, Mr. and Mrs. James DiLorenzo, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Juliano, Mr. and Mrs. Pasquale Angelaccio, Bristol; Mr. and Mrs. John Scancelli, Mr. and Mrs. James Favato, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ueggi, Peter Piazza, Trenton, N. J.

NEWTOWN RED CROSS HEARS REPORTS OF YEAR

Officers Are Named and Committee Aides Are Chosen To Carry On the Work

ROLL CALL NETS \$670.55

NEWTOWN, Jan. 22.—Officers and directors of the Newtown Chapter of the American Red Cross met recently to hear annual reports.

Mrs. M. B. Richardson reported a total roll call of \$670.55. Mrs. Frank Maurice, chairman of home hygiene, reported that nine have enrolled in the home nursing class. It is hoped more will join.

Mrs. Wallace G. Murfit, chairman of production, reported 590 garments have been completed, 72 sweaters, one Red Cross kit has been filled and \$12 sent for filling others, at headquarters, and one box of used clothing sent to headquarters.

Mrs. John Gaine, chairman of Motor Corps, said 12 have been taken to hospital clinics during December.

The following officers and committee chairmen were elected: President,

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BUCKS CO. ENTRIES GAIN MANY PRIZES AT PA. FARM SHOW

Rush Valley Farms, Rushland, Win Blue Ribbon For Percheron Stallion

THE YEAGLE AWARDS

Brothers Capture Many Prizes In The Vegetable Competition

By International News Service

HARRISBURG, Jan. 22.—The Rush Valley Farms, Rushland, Bucks County, today won the blue ribbons for the Percheron stallion, four years and under five class, and added the reserve senior champion stallion blue ribbon with their entry, Dukes Captivator, at the Pennsylvania Farm Show.

Chester entries however, dominated the morning's Percheron contests, taking the stallion, five years and over class; stallion, three years and under four; senior champion stallion and the grand champion stallion honors.

In the mare competition, five years and over, Rush Valley took third place with Helen and fifth with Jolie Fillette. Organette, another Bucks County entry, won top honors in the mare, four years and under five class.

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A GREAT GROWTH

While all emphasis is on warplanes at this time, it is important that America should not lose sight of the great gains being made by commercial aviation, particularly in its transportation phase.

In the last year passenger traffic on the major airlines increased 61 per cent over 1939. During the first ten months of 1940 the airlines carried 2,013,208 passengers, compared to 1,219,928 in the corresponding period of 1939.

Air mail shipments exceeded 20,000,000,000 pound miles during the year. Air mail in 1940 gained over 1939 in the ratio of about eleven to nine. Air express showed a 35 per cent increase over the previous year.

Much of these gains are accounted for by the fact that volume transportation permits lower rates. In 1929 the average passenger fare on air lines was 12 cents a mile. It is now less than six cents a mile.

Commercial air lines in the United States now do a gross business of \$75,000,000 annually, have 400 modern airliners with a seating capacity of 9,000 passengers and employ 20,000 persons who receive \$30,000,000 a year in salaries. This form of transportation is rapidly approaching giant size. And its growth from now on will be more rapid than in the past.

BOY WONDER CARRIES ON

An indoor sport which interests many persons, yet without the facilities to summon thousands to watch the game, is the intricate contest of billiards. A duel between two men who bear names long famous in the sports world—Willie Hoppe and Jake Schaefer—came to an end the other day with the collapse of Hoppe, who, however, retains the championship.

To few men have been given the cunning, the co-ordination of brains and nerves and arms and wrists which belong to Hoppe and Schaefer. Their names are recurrent in their own field, reminding one somewhat of the fact that for 30 years and more the chess world was dominated by men named Capablanca, Marshall, Alekhine.

If one rolls back the years he may remember so far back as 1906 a boy named Willie Hoppe, eighteen years old, became 18.2 ballline billiards champion. Today, after 34 years, he is still the boss of his table.

It is not too difficult to agree with the reporter who writes from Chicago, where the duel was staged, when he says that Willie Hoppe is one of the most amazing champions in all sports history. He was contemporary in the spotlight with such as Jim Jeffries, Bob Fitzsimmons, Jim Corbett, Willie Keeler, Christy Mathewson, Ty Cobb, Honus Wagner, Bill Tilden, Walter Hagen, Jack Dempsey, and doubtless any reader can supply more names of the old-time heroes. Willie Hoppe has seen them all come and go. Truly a remarkable player.

A spot in Africa—Azizia by name—is called the hottest on the planet by a meteorologist, who probably never ran for office and found it necessary to explain that he was misquoted.

War brings many changes, and in England it is no longer necessary to wear the monocle in self-defense—all importations of grapefruit having ceased.

NEWS BRIEFS FROM SUBURBAN TOWNS

HULMEVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elliot and a friend, of Logan, were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Charles Afferbach, Sr. During the past week Mrs. Kate Erb, of Mt. Ephraim, N. J., was a guest at the Afferbach home.

Messrs. Russell W. Brown and Hugh B. Webster are enjoying a hunting trip in the Carolinas, where they are gunning for quail. They are accompanied by a friend from Philadelphia, and will later be joined by Charles Blittie, South Langhorne.

Edwin W. Henry, Sr., suffered an injury to his arm, when he fell on the ice the latter part of the week.

WEST BRISTOL

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Cruser spent Sunday with the latter's brother, A. Witlock, Trenton, N. J.

Over the week-end, Elmer Bowers entertained Jack Wilson, Roxborough. Mr. Wilson was a former resident of Maple Shade.

Howard, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Vandine, Seventh avenue, was re-

moved to Abington Hospital on Monday evening with lobar pneumonia. He is reported as improving.

Gloria Price has been confined to her home for a week with a cold.

EMILIE

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baker have returned to their home after a motor trip to Florida.

Mrs. Leo Hibbs, in company with Mrs. Edward Reading, Fallsington, are spending several days in Washington, D. C. They were also recent visitors of Mrs. Mildred Reading, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Fulmore, Woodbourne, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis V. Cox.

"Eddie" and David Johnson, Edgely, were Sunday visitors of "Jimmie" Booz.

Miss Laura Clayton, Trevoise, was a Sunday visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schupp.

Mrs. Edwinna Dillon was a Thursday visitor of her mother, Mrs. Justina Mahan, Bristol.

Miss Lillie Wilson was a Tuesday afternoon caller of Mrs. Howard Focht, Edgely.

EDGELY

Mr. and Mrs. George Garretson entertained at Sunday dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Garretson and daughter, Ruth, New Brunswick, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morrison, Philadelphia, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rittler.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hibbs and family spent Sunday in Trenton, N. J., visiting Mrs. Owen McCoy and family.

Miss Colleen Leary entertained a number of guests at a party on Friday afternoon at her home on Woodside avenue. Games and refreshments were enjoyed by: Richard Rittler, Joseph and Lewis Kelly, Richard Thayer, Matilda DeKoye, Neal Leary, Anna Leary and George Bintliff, Jr.

Mrs. George Bintliff, Sr., is spending several days in Washington, D. C., visiting Mr. and Mrs. Forrest MacCavett. While there she witnessed the inauguration.

Farmers Will Meet In Edgington Mar. 11th

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Miles Herst, Lebanon, secretary of

WOTAN'S WEDGE

by FRANCIS GERARD
A PRELUDE TO BLITZKRIEG

CHAPTER THIRTEEN

It was the following day that Meredith got Hailey of the Special Branch on the telephone at his private address.

Thus it was that Sir John Meredith, stirred by his sympathy for what appeared to be a little domestic tragedy, entered upon a case which was to stretch across all England and thence to its origin in a certain Baltic training camp in north Germany.

At eleven-thirty, Monday morning, Meredith drove his car under the towering arch which crosses the river side of New Scotland Yard. He waved his hand to the constable on duty in the courtyard who saluted him, and passed through the little courtyard to the headquarter of the G. I. D. Special Branch.

A few minutes later Meredith was being shown into the office of Chief Inspector Hailey of the Special Branch.

"Hello, Meredith," exclaimed the big man, rising from his chair and extending his hand. "It's good to see you."

"Likewise," smiled John.

"Got a job for us?" suggested the chief inspector.

Meredith shook his head. "No," he said. "But I thought you might be able to give me a little information."

"You have but to ask," nodded Hailey. "That's what we're here for."

"I want to know a little bit about the Bolsheviks."

"Bolsheviks?" echoed the other.

"Bolsheviks," nodded Meredith.

Chief Inspector Hailey appeared to think deeply for a moment; then he looked up wide-eyed and said: "Never heard of them."

Meredith looked at him very solemnly before declaring, "I always said you'd make a detective one day."

"You're very kind," replied the man reputed to know more about subversive activities in England than any other detective, government agent, or foreign spy.

"Fact of the matter is, old man," said Hailey, accepting a cigarette from Meredith's case. "Fact is, Bolsheviks are rather a tender subject with us at the moment. There's something odd going on."

"That is interesting," was Meredith's comment. "Now I want to know something about a jolly little coop of comrades calling themselves the Fellowship of the New Day."

Hailey grinned. "O. K., but look here, Meredith, why are you interested?"

"I'm not particularly," replied John, his eyes just as wide and innocent as the other's.

They both laughed and it was the Special Branch man who took up the conversation. "D'you know anything we ought to know?"

Meredith grinned. "Not yet, but I'd like to start with this Fellowship group."

Hailey shook his head. "If you want to know anything about the New Day movement, Blewitt is your man."

"He's the fellow with the one eye, isn't he?"

"That's the bird. Was he here in your time?"

"Just," said Meredith. "He struck me as a likely sort of cove at that. Where's his office?"

"Hey! You can't go barging in like that."

"Hailey," exclaimed Meredith reproachfully. "I'm hurt. Have you forgotten me so soon?"

The other shrugged. "All right," he said. "But don't forget you haven't seen me this morning."

"Right you are. So long, ol' Sock!" Thus Sir John Meredith removed himself from the office of Chief Inspector Hailey.

Detective-Sergeant Henry Blewitt was that rare case in the Metropolitan Police, a man with an actual physical disability who still remained in the force. His disability had ceased to be such as far as his work was concerned because, when he removed his glass eye, he looked so entirely different as to be almost unrecognizable. The additional removal of a magnificent set of false teeth turned him into such a picture of impoverished misery that his own mother would have disowned him.

And so Sergeant Blewitt in his toothless state was a member of most of the communist clubs and associations in London and thus was most useful to his superiors in the Special Branch.

If police headquarters wanted to know anything about the Reds, Blewitt was sent for, his photographic memory enabling him not only to list their latest activities but also to give their vital statistics, be they native, Russian, French, or American Stalinists or Trotskyites.

Sergeant Blewitt looked up as the door of his office opened. With his glass eye and teeth in, Henry Blewitt looked quite respectable. He stared for a moment, then exclaimed in astonishment, "Good lord, Sir John! Looking for me?"

"What!" exclaimed Meredith.

"That sounds most unusual."

"It is—most. I got one of those lists."

"You did, eh? How did you get it?"

"I describe them, sir. The best way I can describe them, sir, is that they're a sort of Red faction . . . Stalin or Trotsky followers. I don't know. But the Little Brotherhood of Lenin views 'em with suspicion."

"Have they got a big membership?"

"Fair," nodded the other. "And that's another thing that's queer about them. They're very choosy about what their members do for a living. They've got a regular list of jobs and blokes doing any of those jobs needn't apply for membership."

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"Exclusive Bolsheviks?" exploded the stout Sir John Meredith. "True, all the same," responded Sergeant Henry Blewitt, police expert on radicals. "I tried to join them and couldn't."

Meredith accepted the chair to which the other gestured and went on untruthfully. "The Commissioner sent me down to see you, said you are the only one man in all London who could give me the important information I urgently require."

Detective-Sergeant Blewitt looked extraordinarily pleased. "Did the Ol' Man . . . did Sir Charles really say that, sir?"

"Those were his very words," fibbed Meredith.

Sergeant Blewitt coughed delicately behind a ham-like hand. "Very kind of the Ol' . . . of Sir Charles. Very kind, I'm sure. Well, Sir John, and what is it you want to know?"

Meredith mentioned abruptly. "The Fellowship of the New Day."

"Ah," aspirated Sergeant Blewitt, just that and no more.

Meredith studied him for a few moments, then said banteringly. "Am I to take it that the one man in all London who might know something about them does not?"

The other shook his head. "Not exactly, sir. But, to be truthful, I don't really know a lot about them."

"Well, how much do you know?"

"They're a fairly recent lot," replied Blewitt. "And they're what you might describe as exclusive."

"Exclusive Bolsheviks?" commented Meredith. "That sounds a bit of a paradox, doesn't it?"

"True, all the same. I know because I've tried to join them. Though I'm a member of the Little Brotherhood of Lenin, the Marx-Munch Club, the Communist Association of Great Britain and am actually secretary to a Soviet Society of Service, they still don't think me eligible for the Fellowship of the New Day. 'Nothing thing, they don't seem to have any affiliation with any other clubs and even Comrade Levinsky, who's running it, is not a member of the Communist Party in this country.'"

"That's odd, isn't it?" suggested John.

"Yes, 'it is," nodded the other. "They're a close-mouthed lot . . . that Fellowship. I haven't got to

em at all. The best way I can describe them, sir, is that they're a sort of Red faction . . . Stalin or Trotsky followers. I don't know. But the Little Brotherhood of Lenin views 'em with suspicion."

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Past Noble Grands' Club Meets at The Ott Home

Members who gathered at the home of Mrs. DeRoy Ott, last evening, for a session of Past Noble Grands' Club of Lily Rebekah Lodge, No. 366, were as follows:

Mrs. Anna Flail, Mrs. Howard Mitchell, Mrs. Mary Heaton, Mrs. Howard Fenimore, Mrs. Harry Sutton, Mrs. Jennie Dieterich, Mrs. William Warner, Mrs. William Dyer, Mrs. William DeVoe, Mrs. Harry Hinman.

At the conclusion of pinocle games, Mrs. Hinman, Mrs. Heaton and Mrs. Dyer were declared the winners.

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Moffo, Farragut avenue, celebrated their eighth wedding anniversary in Trenton, N. J., Sunday, they visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Gibson. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Glazier, Norristown, spent last week at the Moffo home.

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Announcements

Deaths

RATCLIFFE—Suddenly, at Bristol, Pa., January 21, 1941, Harry, husband of Anna F. Ratcliffe. Relatives and friends, also members of Rescue Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., Camden, N. J.; and Hermione Lodge, No. 109, K. of P., are invited to attend the funeral on Thursday at 2 p. m., from Molden's Funeral Chapel, 133 Otter street. Interment in St. James' Churchyard. Friends may call Wednesday evening.

ZIMMERMAN—At Wilmington, Delaware, January 21, 1941, Helen B. Zimmerman, in her 86th year. Services and interment in Bristol Cemetery, Friday, January 24, 1941, at 12 o'clock noon.

Funeral Directors

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PARTIES

SOCIAL EVENTS

ACTIVITIES

100 Gather for Luncheon
Session at Willow Grove

WILLOW GROVE, Jan. 22—With the American Legion Auxiliary of this place as hostess, a meeting of the Montgomery-Bucks Bi-County Council, American Legion Auxiliary, was held here on Thursday.

The Willow Grove unit served luncheon preceding the meeting, which was attended by 100 members. Mrs. Melvin James, president of the council, presided. Ray Hemmerly, liaison officer of the 9th District of Pennsylvania American Legion; and Harry Claussen, regional officer of the Veterans' Bureau, were guests.

Mrs. Robert Russell, Americanism chairman of the Department of Pennsylvania, American Legion Auxiliary, addressed the gathering; and Mrs. Arthur Beaver, of Dravosburg, president of Department of Pennsylvania, was the guest speaker. Mrs. Beaver spoke on all phases of departmental work of the auxiliary.

Reports of various committee chairmen of the council were submitted, and a unit activity report was given by Conshohocken.

The next meeting of the council will be held at Quakertown, February 21st.

In a Personal Way

INTERESTING bits of news mainly about people you know. A chronicle of the activities of the people of Bristol; their goings and comings.

To arrange for publication of weddings, telephone The Bristol Courier, Bristol 846, notifying at least a few days in advance the date of ceremony.

Engagement announcements must be submitted in writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eisefeld, Newark, N. J., spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Eisefeld's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Williams, Wood street.

Miss Frances Knowles, Yeadon, spent Friday until Sunday at the home of Mrs. Katharine Barrett, Radcliffe street. Sunday guests were Mrs. Arthur Yealy and son James, Philadelphia.

Earl Bonham, Radcliffe street, spent

Today's Quiet Moment

(By Howard L. Zepp, Th. M.)

Gracious Heavenly Father, we pray that Thou wouldst help us to know the source of our strength in times of discouragement. This dangerous state of mind may have come to us because of a weary, broken, sick body, or from frustrated hopes and ambitions, or from a sense of uselessness and failure, or from a sense of transgression and sin. In a quiet place may we have fresh communion with Thee. Amen.

the week-end visiting relatives in Wilkes-Barre.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bloodgood, Taylor street, spent Saturday in Bloomsburg.

William Elmer, Cedar street, spent Monday in Washington, D. C., viewing the inaugural parade.

Mr. and Mrs. DeRoy Ott, Monroe street, were entertained on Sunday at the home of Mr. Ott's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin James, Langhorne Manor.

Mrs. Mary Hatfield, who resided on Trenton avenue, has moved to Clifton, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Downing moved Monday from Taft street to Street and Hulmeville Roads, Edgington.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Charbonnaire, Frankford; and Mr. and Mrs. William Marsland and son William and Mrs. Martha Marsland, Philadelphia, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Flora Bilger, Market street.

Mrs. Girard Terlingo and son John, who have been making an extended visit with Mrs. Terlingo's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Piccari, Washington street, left for their home in Winchester, Va., on Saturday. Miss Violet Piccari, Pond street, returned to Winchester with Mrs. Terlingo where she will spend the remainder of the winter.

Mrs. May McLaughlin, Philadelphia, a former resident of Bristol, spent Sunday visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gilliland, Dan-

boro; and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Gilliland,

Doylestown, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul White, Sr., New Buckley street.

The Misses Jennie Fiadino, Antoinette Rossetto and John Kostwich, Bound Brook, N. J., were Saturday and Sunday guests of Mrs. Josephine Deon, Washington street.

Aged Lawyer Dies At
Spring Valley Home

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later he was admitted to the Supreme and Superior Courts and to the United States District Court. It was not long before he built up a large practice.

Mr. Keeler, who was appointed County Solicitor in 1885, served in this capacity for six years. Four years later he was appointed Register of Wills to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Charles H. Weaver.

An ardent supporter of the Republican party, Mr. Keeler was a delegate to many district and state conventions, and in 1892 he represented Bucks county at the Republican National Convention in Minneapolis, Minn.

During the administration of President Theodore Roosevelt he was appointed postmaster in Doylestown, a position he held for eight years. In addition to being a charter member of the Bucks County Bar Association, he was one of the original members of the Pennsylvania Bar Association. On various occasions between the years of 1880 and 1905 he served as chairman of the Republican county committee.

Fraternally Mr. Keeler was a member of Doylestown Lodge, No. 193, I. O. O. F., and the Improved Order of Red Men of Doylestown.

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ON THE SCREENS

GRAND THEATRE

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Young develops symptoms of serious sickness on the eve of the wedding of Jimmy Kildare and Mary Lamont (Ayres and Miss Day), and their marriage appears to be on the rocks when she breaks her engagement to Dr. Kildare, fearing the disorder may be hereditary. Into the breach comes the veteran Dr. Gillespie who discovers the clue that solves their problem with happy outcome.

BRISTOL THEATRE

Don Ameche has added dancing to his long list of screen accomplishments. The star teamed with curvaceous Betty Grable to introduce a new dance a tap rumba, in the Technicolor production, "Down Argentine Way," which is currently at the Bristol Theatre. The musical extravaganza marks

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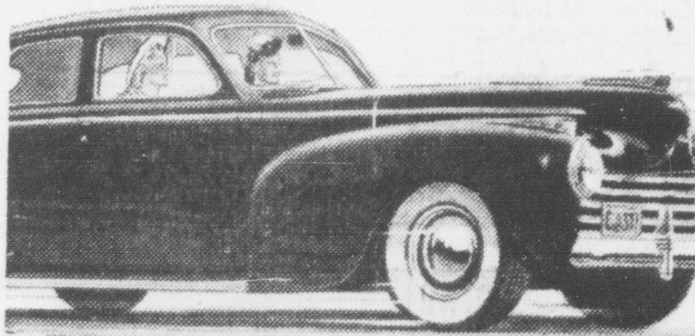
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THIRD STRAIGHT WIN

Di Angelo Tabs 17 Points As
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Peak

A Bristol High School basketball team that started the season off rather slowly kept coming last yesterday afternoon at Mt. Airy. Continuing their strenuous flair for the unpredictable and exciting, they reversed the form sheet in downing a favored Pennsylvania School for the Deaf team, 35-34, in an extra period show.

Big Paul Ruby, used extensively on this year's ensemble as a substitute, came through with a field goal in the waning moments after the Deaf School had taken a short-lived 34-33 lead.

The two played even ball for four quarters and ended up at 32 all. In the extra chukker Clem Peterpaul dumped in a foul to shoot the locals into a 33-32 advantage. But Gabriel came back with a field goal to advance the losers into a one point margin. Then followed Ruby's life saver.

The Cardinals had the ball game going into the final period and were leading by a 23 to 18 count. It was here that Gabriel cut loose with four field goals for a wonderful exhibition. Working with Colley, who also found the range, the Mt. Airy lads scored 14 points and tied the score.

Tony "Chick" DiAngelo, Bristol's sure, sharpshooting spitfire, hits a season's high in raking up 17 points during the afternoon. Peterpaul and Herman had five, while Gabriel and Colley were tops for the losers.

It was the third successive triumph for the Cardinal and Grey, who have taken Upper Merion, Bensalem and P. S. D. The latest scalp is one of the best of the current campaign. Recently the P. S. D.'s dropped a game to the strong National Farm School, always a good hall club, by only one point.

Lineup:		F.G.	P.G.	Tot.
Bristol				
DiAngelo	f	2	2	12
Peterpaul	f	0	5	5
Monti	c	0	1	1
Ruby	g	0	1	1
Lupkin	g	0	0	0
Melideo	g	1	0	2
Acavadi	g	1	1	2
Herman	g	2	1	5
P. S. D.				
Telko	f	1	0	2
Zerde	f	0	1	1
Shyock	f	0	1	1
Allen	c	0	1	1
Gabriel	c	6	1	13
Wallis	g	1	1	2
Colley	g	5	1	11
		14	6	34
Periods:				
1st	7	7	9	3-55
2nd	7	7	9	3-55
3rd	7	7	9	3-55
4th	7	7	9	3-55
Referee:	Hopkins, U. of P.			
Scorer:	Corn.			

MORRISVILLE HIGH TOPS BENSEALEM

Morrisville High School basketball team toppled Bensalem last night without much trouble in the Owl gym by a 33 to 16 count. Paced by Vince DalBranze and Bresley, the Bulldogs had a 14 to 8 lead at the half. For the Owls, Bob Scarborough was high man.

The Bensalem girls dropped another tough decision in the preliminary to Morrisville on a last minute shot by Worthington. Leading at the half by a 17 to 9 count, the Bensalemites cracked during the final stages and Morrisville came through to triumph, 29-27.

Lineup:		F.G.	P.G.	Tot.
Bensalem				
Scarborough	f	2	2	6
Katrola	f	0	0	0
Patterson	f	1	0	2
Colbert	c	0	0	0
Rittenhouse	g	0	0	0
Ashton	g	1	1	2
Morrisville				
Wilcox	f	1	1	2
DeBronze	f	1	0	2
Keys	f	1	1	2
Bresley	f	3	1	7
Furcell	f	1	0	2
Wallace	c	1	1	2
Hulse	c	2	1	5
Anderson	g	0	1	1
Osion	g	1	0	2
		14	6	33

Lineup:		F.G.	P.G.	Tot.
Morrisville Girls				
Worthington	f	8	0	16
Shulte	f	2	0	4
McNally	f	0	1	1
Cook	f	4	0	8
Lawson	g	0	0	0
White	g	0	0	0
Retzle	g	0	0	0
Bensalem Girls				
Lemon	f	4	3	11
Smith	f	0	0	0
Ely	f	6	0	12
Ellis	f	0	0	0
Pries	g	0	0	0
Strudhaer	g	0	0	0
		11	3	23

OVERBROOK WRESTLERS THROW BENSEALEM

In a varsity wrestling meet, the strong Overbrook School for the Blind dealt the Reimsenmen a 28 to 8 setback. The feature of the meet was the appearance of Barkovitch, National A. A. U. 125 pound champion, who lost little time in pinning Dean in 28 seconds.

Wrestling Summary
95 lb.—Reed, Bensalem, dec. Small, Overbrook.
105 lb.—Crea, Overbrook, dec. Potts, Bensalem.
115 lb.—O'Neill, Overbrook, dec. Friel, Bensalem.
125 lb.—Gaskell, Overbrook, pinned Daugherty, Bensalem.
135 lb.—Barkovitch, Overbrook, pinned Dean, Bensalem.
145 lb.—Glebovski, Overbrook, pinned Joliff, Bensalem.
155 lb.—Hall, Overbrook, pinned Silcox, Bensalem.
165 lb.—Reed, Bensalem, won on forfeit.
175 lb.—Zelazanski, Overbrook, dec. Fleming, Bensalem.

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TILTS FOR TONIGHT MAY END IN UPSETS

Upsets are fast becoming popular in the Bristol Basketball League. Perhaps the fans of this section will be treated to some more of this type of basketball tonight on the Italian Mutual Aid court as the Voltz-Texaco team plays Manhattan, and Fifth Ward stacks up against the Profy team.

The latest upset occurred Monday night when Franklin beat the Rohm & Haas team. Fifth Ward, another infant team of the circuit, does not like to be outdone by their youthful rivals, the Franklin club, and are out to win over the Profy team tonight.

The Radiomen are rated in the same class as Rohm & Haas and a victory for the Warders will put them on a par with the Franklin team in preparation for their game of next week.

The Profymen need this game tonight in order to maintain their deadlock for first place. At the present time only Fifth Ward, Franklin and the Profytes are undefeated and a loss by the Radiomen will send them tumbling down the ladder.

Ray Pico, manager of the Fifth Warders, is determined to get his team on the winning side of the ledger for the second time this half. The club defeated Voltz-Texaco last week by a close score, despite the fact that Berry made seven out of seven fouls.

The Fifth Ward lineup will have Manager Pico, Danny Pico, Pica, Cappei, and DeLissio. Profy's lineup will be Dorsey, Slaven, Klein, Petrick, and Buck Profy. A good night by the colored flash, Ray Dorsey, will enable him to climb nearer to the top scorers. Everett Caball, Dorsey is in third place. Also in this tilt will be the battle between Buck Profy and Joe Pica for eighth place scoring honors.

The Voltz team appeared strong in its opening second half encounter despite their defeat. Manhattan was stopped by Profy and on paper at the present writing the teams appear evenly matched. But in order to win, the Radiomen must stop the Manhattan scoring combination of "Punkie" Zeffries and Nick Hufnell, both good fieldmen, especially from the foul line. They follow one another in the scoring list of individual players and between them have made 113 points for the soap-makers.

Zeffries seems to be an expert from the foul line, making 14 out of his 18 tries. He has averaged 7.5 points per game, which is a little better than Hufnell. The remainder of the Manhattan lineup will be Mulligan, Snyder and Gallagher.

Berry, Joe Caball, Cooper, Carter and Brown will be the starting five for Voltz. Carter missed the opening tilt of the second half.

First tap-off is listed for eight o'clock sharp.

BRISTOL BASKETBALL LEAGUE			
Schedule for Tonight			
MANHATTAN-VOLTZ-TEXACO			
PROFY'S-FIFTH WARD			
Standing			
Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Franklin A. C.	2	0	1.000
Fifth Ward	1	0	1.000
Profy's	1	0	1.000
Rohm & Haas	1	1	.500
Auto Boys	1	1	.500
K. of C.	0	2	.000
Manhattan	0	1	.000
Voltz-Texaco	0	2	.000

Britain Mobilizes New Army; Defense Against Invasion

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fighting for their homes and the right to live as they think is right.

Their job is to watch every inch of coastline, every square foot of England's interior for parachutists or troop-carrier landings, surround and isolate such groups until Army mop-up brigades can arrive.

Their weapons are the rifle, the tommy gun, the grenade, and the dread Molotov cocktail, a beer bottle of highly inflammable liquid that can convert a tank into a flaming funeral pyre in a matter of seconds.

England today is a citadel honeycombed by defenses. The Army is constantly on maneuver, all on wheels. Combat units are at hand in every area.

The Army has been divided into various commands, such as the American army groups, defending every section of the country.

Both the Army and the Home Guard have been trained in offensive tactics. The lesson has been learned again that the best defense is an offensive. They can't carry the fight to Hitler on the continent yet, but they are ready to carry it to any Germans who seek to land on their shores.

The Army is on wheels—its infantry, artillery, pioneer and supply units. It doesn't expect to fight the invasion in trenches but to move with lightning precision wherever the threat comes.

The armored division have been developed to a high point of efficiency in the same type of "knockout" units as the German Panzer divisions.

These divisions are composed roughly (for obvious reasons I cannot go

too much into detail) into motorcycle machine gun squads, tanks, both reconnaissance and heavy, mobile artillery, motorized infantry, communications, pioneer, and supply units. They move as a closed fist, smashing a power-driven left hook.

If Germany taught the world the lesson of the concentration of force, the English have been apt students. They are readying for a mobile powerful defense.

The German Panzer divisions had a picnic in Belgium and France. The French hardly troubled to blow up a bridge. In some places the fuses were even placed on the wrong side of the bridges. But the British demolitions I saw in Belgium and France were thorough and expert and their rear-guard action on their enforced withdrawal to the channel when the French and Belgians fell away on both their flanks will go down in history as one of the greatest.

The British army wasn't defeated in Flanders. It fought a steady withdrawal to the coast to save itself from annihilation. At the end one single British Division held up the entire German army until the B. E. F. could get safely away through a hail of bombs and shells.

It is that kind of army that today waits to meet the German invasion.

On the coastlines of Britain there has been erected a formidable series of defense lines to stop the German frontal assault. The interior mobile defenses will take care of the parachutists and air troop carrier landings. These coastal defenses consist of miles of tank traps, mined water approaches and beach defenses. Pillboxes, coastal defense guns, barbed wire entanglements, and land mines guard the beaches.

Behind lies the artillery, the armored divisions and the mobile support troops. The interior is a maze of tank traps, airplane landing barriers and troop concentrations.

If the Germans succeed in establishing a bridgehead I believe it will be in the Dover area, the narrowest point in the channel, where the cliffs of Dover and the Cliffs of Calais are only 22 miles apart. They probably will attempt to make landings at every favorable point from Scotland down to Land's End, for when they come they are sure to come in the most overwhelming possible force, in every large and ship they can find to float—and they have tens of thousands of them.

They will move behind a screen of dive bombers and high flying bombers. The sky will literally be filled with planes seeking to blast a path before them.

But their task will be a painful one, and the English Channel will be red with the blood of German youth.

Bristol Pupils To Vie For Honors at Crafts Show

The fourth annual arts and crafts exhibition by residents, schools and organizations of the Old York Road district, from Monday, January 27th through Saturday, February 1st, will be held in the exhibition salon of Strawbridge & Clothier store, Old York Road Store, Jenkintown.

The program includes "Stained Glass Windows" by Henry Lee Willet, Three Tuns; "Pottery Making" under direction of Edward deF. Curtis, Wayne, and Mrs. C. Naaman, Plymouth Meeting; "Woodcarving" by William C. Hampton, Collegeville; "Oriental Rug Weaving" by Edward Boyadarian; exhibition of work of members of Old York Road Art Guild; high school exhibits, arts and crafts work by high school pupils of Bristol, Abington, Ambler, Cheltenham, Jenkintown, Lower Merion, Richboro, Upper Merion, and Upper Southampton high schools will arrange school exhibits in competition.

Latest News

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Two Burned in Gas Explosion
Philadelphia, Jan. 22—Two policemen were burned, a manhole cover was thrown into the air and fumes seeped into the Susquehanna-Dauphin station of the Broad Street Subway today when gas caused an explosion in the basement of a rooming house in North Philadelphia.

The Great Game of Politics

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vious, it would seem, to dispute, despite the remaining pretenses, such as continuation of diplomatic relations between Germany and the United States and observance of regulations such as keeping American citizens off belligerent vessels and compelling the British to move their purchased war mate-

rial in their own bottoms. How long these restrictions will remain in force no one can tell, but the general idea is: not very long. One by one they fall to the ground. The "cash-and-carry" principle, so widely advertised a year ago, is now "out the window" so far as cash is concerned. It is only a matter of time, say those in best position to judge, before the "carry" will follow.

RECENTLY a cry has been raised that had either Mr. Roosevelt or Mr. Willkie let it be known that they contemplated or approved going so far on the road to war as this bill takes us, the one would not have been re-elected and the other would not have been nominated. It is not a sound point. Neither Mr. Roosevelt nor Mr. Willkie could look ahead far enough to know that it would be necessary to go this far. Neither intentionally concealed his views, misled the people or had any hidden purpose to lead them into war.

On the contrary, Mr. Roosevelt's course since the election has been wholly consistent with his known views and expressions before the election. And Mr. Willkie's support of the pending bill, with certain amendments, is consistent with his. Once the truth was accepted that the crushing of England would be a calamity to us—a thesis to which both men heartily subscribed and which seems accepted by a large majority of the people—once that is accepted, the all possible aid to England, basic in this bill, became not only logical but inevitable.

IT is, of course, true that Mr. Roosevelt could have presented a bill which would have aroused infinitely less alarm and engendered far less bitterness. He should have volunteered some restriction upon the immense power he asks. There should be provision for its automatic expiration at a specific date. There should be other restrictions in keeping with the democratic form of government which he so ardently lauds. The hold of Congress upon the purse strings should not wholly be shaken off and Congress should not be so completely sidetracked as this bill sidetracks it.

NEVERTHELESS, it is essential to give the President the power he asks and endorse the plan he proposes—if the policy of aiding England is not to bog down just when the war becomes most vital. There simply is no feasible alternative

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unless we are to turn in the isolation direction and agree with those who believe it is neither our business nor our concern who wins the war so long as we stay put. If there is any other direction in which to turn, no one has pointed to it. Clearly, Mr. Willkie's support of the President's proposals is of infinite value. It not only means more Republican votes for it in Congress but a more concrete sentiment for it in the country. To some extent it will diminish the heat of the debate and it seems to insure the bill's passage, once the restrictive amendments are adopted.

UNDER the circumstances, it is pleasant to record that Mr. Roosevelt

voted at the last moment abated his ungraciousness by asking Mr. Willkie to come to see him last Sunday when the latter flew down to see Mr. Willkie before leaving for England. With the inner knowledge of having treated Mr. Willkie badly, Mr. Roosevelt did not want to see him without exhibiting his grudge so that it could not be mistaken. It was not possible to turn down Mr. Willkie's request, made through the Secretary of State, for permission to go abroad without seeming personally petty; but to say, as some Administration journalists have, that Mr. Willkie's trip met

with the President's "warm approval" is hardly accurate.

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